

Troopers Safety Message for Memorial Day Weekend



Dover- The Delaware State Police will be out in full force patrolling the roadways this weekend to ensure that everyone is driving with due care and offering assistance to motorists in need. The Delaware State Police Mounted Patrol Unit will also be assisting the Dewey Beach Police Department with proactive patrols, and the Delaware State Police Maritime Unit's "Marine One" will be operating on Delaware's waterways to ensure boater safety and security.

"As we take time this Memorial Day Weekend to celebrate the men and women who have made the ultimate sacrifice for our freedom, we must not forget the dangers that can arise from traveling on our roadways," said Sergeant Richard Bratz, Director of Public Information for the Delaware State Police. "The Delaware State Police would like to wish everyone an enjoyable and safe Memorial Day Weekend!"

Troopers intend to reduce traffic fatalities and serious injuries on our highways during this “official” start of the summer season. Troopers will be focusing on distracted driving, motorists not wearing seat belts, unrestrained children in vehicles, and any aggressive driving behaviors such as speeding, following too close, and especially, driving under the influence.

By following these easy steps, a driver can enjoy a safe holiday weekend travel without jeopardizing their life or the lives of others who may be on the road:

- Ensure all occupants are properly restrained
- Plan a safe way home **before** the festivities begin
- Before drinking, please designate a sober driver and give that person your keys
- If you’re impaired, use a taxi, call a sober friend or family member, or use public transportation so you are sure to get home safely
- If you see a drunk or aggressive driver on the road, immediately contact 911 as soon as safely possible.
- If you know someone who is about to drive while impaired, take their keys and help them make other arrangements to get to where they are going safely.

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